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| Application Number     | 09/853,823   |
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| First Named Inventor   | David LONG   |
| Group Art Unit         | 2195         |
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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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    - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
    - ☒ Other the Reply to Final Office Action previously mailed to the USPTO on June 2, 2005.
  - ☐ Enclosed
    - ☐ Amendment/Reply
    - ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Miscellaneous**
  - ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR. § 1.17(i) required)
  - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Fees** The RCE fee under 37C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
  - ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency of fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1302
    - ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) \$790.00.
    - ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (within first month) \$120.00.
    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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